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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Roberto Valducci  
Serial No.: 09/898,425 Group Art Unit: 1615  
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For: ORAL SOLID PHARMACEUTICAL FORMULATION WITH PH-  
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated March 31, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Cancel claims 23-34 without prejudice and substitute new claims 35-46 as follows.

✓ 35. (New) A pharmaceutical formulation for multiphasic release of an active ingredient for treating inflammatory bowel disease comprising:

a plurality of portions of the active ingredient, the plurality of active ingredient portions being an effective amount sufficient to treat inflammatory bowel disease, each of the plurality of portions having a different coating selected from a corresponding plurality of coatings consisting of different pH dependant soluble polymers or mixture of polymers, the plurality of different

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